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**Removing Existing Pavement Surfacing Overlay from Bridge Deck**

The Contractor shall remove the existing pavement surfacing overlay from the roadway deck of Bridge No(s) \*\*\*\$\$1\$\$\*\*\*. The depth of removal shall be to the top of the cement concrete surface of the bridge deck.

The Contractor shall submit the method and equipment proposed for the removal operation to the Engineer for approval. The Contractor shall demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Engineer that the proposed removal method and equipment are adequate for the intended purpose and will provide satisfactory results. The existing bridge deck may be rutted in the wheel lines. The Contractor shall use whatever means necessary, with the approval of the Engineer, to remove the existing pavement surfacing overlay from the rutted areas. The Contractor shall not begin bridge deck pavement surfacing removal operations until receiving the Engineer's approval of the removal method and equipment.

The Contractor's bridge deck pavement surfacing removal operations shall not damage the existing concrete bridge deck. All damage to the existing concrete bridge deck due to the Contractor's bridge deck pavement surfacing removal operations shall be repaired in accordance with Section 1-07.13 and as approved by the Engineer.

Following removal of the existing pavement surfacing overlay, the Contractor shall perform bridge deck repair, as determined by the Engineer, in accordance with Section 6-02.3(10) as supplemented in these Special Provisions.